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SENATOR RANDY RICHARDVILLE
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The Senate Government Operations Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, June 12, 2012, in the Capitol Building, Rooms 402 and 403.

Senator Richardville called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

Attendance was recorded as follows:

Present: Senators Richardville (C), Hildenbrand, Meekhof, and Whitmer

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Richardville requested a motion to adopt the minutes from the May 22, 2012 committee meeting. Senator Hildenbrand moved to adopt the minutes.

Yeas: Richardville, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Whitmer, and Hunter

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Richardville announced the addition of SB 970, sponsored by Senator Bert Johnson, and House Bills 5688 and 5705, sponsored by Representatives Maureen Stapleton and John Walsh, respectively, to the committee's agenda. **The addition of these bills to the committee's agenda falls under the "any other business to come properly before the committee" clause included on the committee notice posted on June 7, 2012**

Representative Walsh gave the committee members a brief summary of his bill, HB 5705 and answered questions from the committee members.

Senator Richardville next invited Senator Bert Johnson to summarize his bill, SB 970. Senator Johnson was joined by Mr. Ken Cole, of Governmental Consultant Services, Inc, (GCSI), representing the City of Detroit. Together, Senator Johnson and Mr. Cole answered questions from the committee members.

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Senator Richardville called Representative Stapleton forward to give a brief summary of her bill, HB 5688. Representative Stapleton was joined by Mr. Chris Brown, Chief Operating Officer of the City of Detroit. Following their comments, Representative Stapleton and Mr. Brown answered questions from the committee members.

Senator Richardville read, for the record, the following individuals' names not wishing to speak and their positions of the legislation:

Mrs. Samantha Harkins, representing the Michigan Municipal League—SUPPORT

Mr. Brad Williams, representing the Detroit Chamber of Commerce—SUPPORT

Senator Richardville requested a brief recess at 1:28pm.

Senator Richardville re-convened the committee at 1:40pm.

With no further testimony for SB 970 and HBs 5688 and 5705, Senator Richardville announced the committee would begin voting.

Senator Richardville informed the committee members that Senator Whitmer had a substitute for SB 970. Mr. Samuel Buchalter, from Senate Democratic Central Staff, explained the key differences between the substitute and the introduced version of SB 970.

Senator Richardville requested a motion to adopt the S-1 for SB 970. Senator Whitmer moved to adopt the S-1.

Yeas: Richardville, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Whitmer and Hunter

Nays: None

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Richardville requested a motion to report SB 970 (S-1) with recommendation that the bill pass. Senator Whitmer moved to report SB 970 (S-1).

Yeas: Richardville, Whitmer and Hunter

Nays: Meekhof

Pass: Hildenbrand

The motion prevailed.

Senator Richardville requested a motion to give SB 970 (S-1) immediate effect.

Senator Whitmer moved to give SB 970 (S-1) immediate effect.

Yeas: Richardville, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Whitmer and Hunter

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

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The Senate Government Operations Committee reported SB 970 (S-1) with recommendation to the Committee of the Whole that the bill pass and further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect.

Senator Richardville requested a motion to report HB 5688 with recommendation that the bill pass.

Senator Whitmer moved to report HB 5688 with recommendation that the bill pass.

Yeas: Richardville, Hildenbrand, Whitmer and Hunter

Nays: Meekhof

Pass: None

The motion prevailed.

Senator Richardville requested a motion to give HB 5688 immediate effect.

Senator Whitmer moved to give HB 5688 immediate effect.

Yeas: Richardville, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Whitmer and Hunter

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Senate Government Operations Committee reported HB 5688 with recommendation to the Committee of the Whole that the bill pass and further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect.

Senator Richardville requested a motion to report HB 5705 with recommendation that the bill pass.

Senator Hildenbrand moved to report HB 5705 with recommendation that the bill pass.

Yeas: Richardville, Hildenbrand, Whitmer and Hunter

Nays: Meekhof

The motion prevailed.

Senator Richardville requested a motion to give HB 5705 immediate effect.

Senator Hildenbrand moved to give HB 5705 immediate effect.

Yeas: Richardville, Hildenbrand, Meekhof, Whitmer and Hunter

Nays: None

The motion prevailed.

The Senate Government Operations Committee reported HB 5705 with recommendation to the Committee of the Whole that the bill pass and further recommended that the bill be given immediate effect.

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Senator Richardville next introduced Judge Michael Warren. Senator Richardville invited Judge Warren to give the committee members a brief summary of HB 4464. Judge Warren was joined by Mr. Robert Hoisington. Both Judge Warren and Mr. Hoisington addressed the committee and requested the Chair add HB 4464 to the day's agenda. Senator Richardville thanked both gentlemen for their comments and explained that HB 4464 would not be voted on during the day's meeting.

Following Judge Warren's testimony, Senator Richardville read, for the record, the following individual's name not wishing to speak and his position of the legislation:

Mr. Matt Maddock, Tea Party Leader—SUPPORT

Being no further business before the Committee, Senator Richardville adjourned the meeting without objection at 1:50 p.m.

04 December 2012

Date approved by Committee